

# Greece – Italy tour 9 Days

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## Overview

### Greece – Italy Tour

Athens – Delphi – Olympia – Rome – Naples – Florence – Venice

- 9 Days
- Age 12+
- Greece

- Not Included:
- Tips
  - Accommodation tax for the Hotels which will be paid upon arrival by the guests at the reception at each Hotel
  - Portage service

## Tour Plan

01

### Day 01: Athens – Arrival flight

Arrival to Athens. Evening transfer to Plaka neighborhood. Arrival to Athens and transfer to the hotel. At night we provide an evening transfer to PLAKA area. This neighborhood is full of small Greek taverns where you can enjoy the rich folklore of this country over a local dinner. Overnight in Athens.

02

### Day 02: Athens

Breakfast and then you will have City tour in Athens. In the morning, we will enjoy a panoramic tour of the city with a local guide which includes the Presidential Palace, the Panathinaikos stadium where the first modern Olympic games were held, the national library, the bustling squares of the center; the new neighborhoods that emerged after the 2004 Olympic games. The tour will end at the Acropolis site (entry included). Free time during the day to walk around and discover unforgettable places. Overnight in Athens

03

### Day 03: Athens - Corinth - Mycenae - Tripoli - Olympia

Breakfast and today we will see the Peloponnese region. Corinth canal. Mycenae archaeological site. In the morning, we leave for the Peloponnese region. We make a stop at the CORINTH CANAL. After this, we have time in the immense fortress of

ACCRA CORINTH. At the top of the settlement are the foundations of what was a temple to Aphrodite. We go on to MYCENAE, a colossal citadel from the eighteenth century BC, the birthplace of the first European civilisation. We stop in TRIPOLI, the provincial capital of a region that produces excellent wines. In the middle of the afternoon, we go on our way to OLYMPIA. Dinner. Overnight in Olympia

**04**

## **Day 04: Olympia - Patras - Brindisi Ferry**

Breakfast and today we will have guided visit to Olympia. Overnight voyage from Greece to Italy. We will visit OLYMPIA archeological site with a local guide. You will have a chance to visit its museum and archeological site (guided tour, ticket to the park not included) which the cradle of the Olympic games in ancient times. We will get back on route to PATRAS, Greece's third largest city. We will visit its active, lively centre. Afterwards, we will travel to Northern Greece, AMFILOCHIA. Short stop in this quiet coastal town; ARTA, a city in the Epirus region that has a Roman bridge. Arrival in IGOUMENITSA. Supper time and boarding to cross the Ionian Sea. Night on board, overnight accommodation in double cabins with private bathroom (we recommend bringing a handbag along to spend the night on board. Breakfast on the boat Sunday morning is not included). Note: The ferry used, which is the only one available, leaves at one in the morning, but boarding is not usually possible until after midnight. Sometimes due to late arrival, the ferry might be delayed. It is a simple ferry (double cabins with private bathroom). Occasionally, due to weather conditions, vessel inspection or schedule changes, strikes, fully booked ferryboats or other reasons, we are forced to adapt the schedules of the following day itinerary according to the berthing time of the ship or fly from Athens to Rome, in which case the visits to Amfilochia and Arta are cancelled and a Sunday visit to Naples and Pompeii is included. Overnight on Ferry.

**05**

## **Day 05: Patras - Brindisi Ferry - Trani - Naples - Rome**

Highly picturesque seaport town of Trani. City of Naples. Arrival in BRINDISI early in the morning. We will follow the Adriatic coastline in Southern Italy. We will visit TRANI, a picturesque little town by the sea, and its fishing port, its old cathedral and its lively streets. Lunchtime. We will resume our trip to NAPLES, where we will arrive in the afternoon. Short sightseeing tour in its historic centre before resuming our journey to ROME. Overnight in Rome

**06**

## **Day 06: Welcome to Rome**

Breakfast and City tour of Rome. Roman Coliseum and Vatican City. Evening transfer. In the morning, we will have a tour of the city, which will be a great introduction to "The Eternal city". We enter the tiny state of the Vatican. The Vatican City is a principal centre of Christianity in the world. You will be able to visit St. Peter's Basilica. We will also enter the Roman Colosseum (admission price included), the principal symbol of Rome. This impressive construction dates back 2,000 years and will transport us in

time so that we can learn about ancient society in the Roman Empire. In the evening we will transfer you to the Via Cavour area, where you will find many international restaurants to enjoy your dinner at. After dinner return to the hotel.

**07**

## **Day 07: Rome - Florence**

Breakfast and Tour with a local expert from Florence. View from Piazzale Michelangelo. Today we will leave Rome, heading north. This route has beautiful landscapes. Arriving in FLORENCE, we head straight to the impressive Piazzale Michelangelo. In the evening we take a tour with a local expert, walking through the historic centre, taking in places such as the Ponte Vecchio, the Duomo, and Plaza della Signoria. This city is truly an outdoor museum. Enjoy some leisure time to explore. In the evening you will have time for dinner, as, in this district you can find many restaurants serving international cuisine.

**08**

## **Day 08: Florence - Venice**

Breakfast and we will take the Vaporetto boat on Venice's Grand Canal. Visit and admission to the St. Mark's Basilica. Admire the technique of crafting Murano Glass. Today we enjoy stunning mountain landscapes while crossing the Apennine Mountains. We will arrive in VENICE and board a Vaporetto to travel around on the canals in the historic centre. With a local guide, we will visit the marvellous St. Mark's Square and enter the Basilica (entrance included). Afterwards, we will visit the Murano Glass Factory. It is fascinating to see the technique of how this ancient glass is made. Enjoy some time at leisure to explore. In the late afternoon, you will have the chance to get dinner in the Mestre area, where you can choose from many restaurants.

**09**

## **Day 09: Venice**

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your flight back home with wonderful memories of your holiday to Greece and Italy